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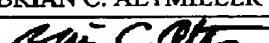
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2006, the period for response to which extends through October 17, 2006, please consider the following amendments and comments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.